

REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 20, 2004 wherein the Examiner rejected claims 1, 8 and 15 and objected to claims 2-7, 9-14 and 16-20. The Examiner stated that claims 2-7, 9-14 and 16-20 are allowable over the prior art, accordingly Applicants have cancelled claims 2, 9 and 16 and have amended claims 1, 8 and 15 to incorporate the material from these cancelled claims into the independent claims making all of the claims allowable over the prior art.

The rejection under 103

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 8 and 15 under 35 USC Section 103a as being unpatentable over Gillard. Applicants have amended these claims to include the material from independent claims 2, 9 and 16 respectively and therefore Applicants submit that claims 1, 8 and 15 are now allowable.

Entry of this Amendment reconsideration of the rejections and allowance of all the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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